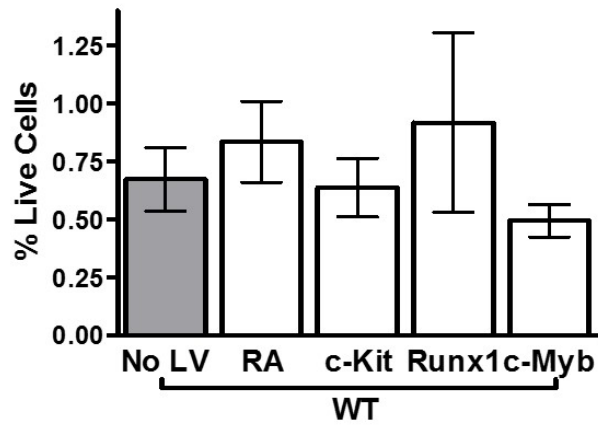
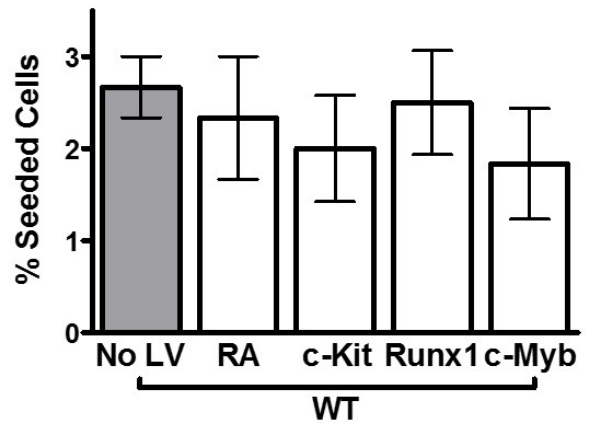


Hemogenic Endothelium



CFU-GEMM



Blood Cells

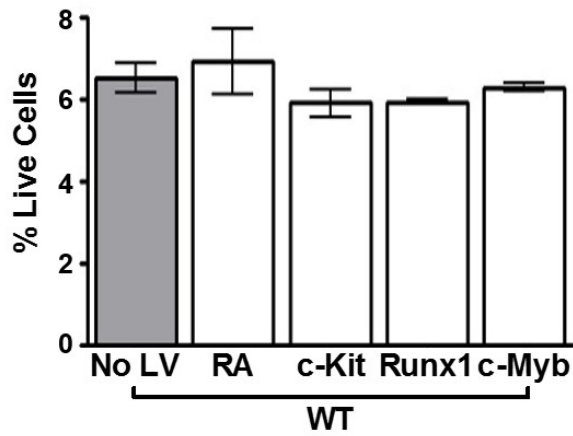


Figure S1. Lentivirus-infected wildtype yolk sacs do not demonstrate ectopic hemogenic endothelial cell specification or hematopoiesis. (Related to Figure 3)

A. Quantitative analysis of Flk1⁺c-Kit⁺CD45⁻ SP hemogenic endothelial cells from untreated (No LV), RA-treated (RA), and lentivirus-infected *Raldh2*^{+/+} (WT) yolk sacs. Data points were calculated as a percentage of total live cell population \pm SEM (n \geq 3).

B. Total multilineage CFU-GEMM colonies generated from hemogenic endothelial cells, calculated as percentage of seeded cells (100 cells per well) \pm SEM (n \geq 3). **C.**

Quantitative analysis of Flk1⁻c-Kit⁺CD45⁺ Non-SP blood cells from untreated (No LV), RA-treated (RA), and lentivirus-infected *Raldh2*^{+/+} (WT) yolk sacs. Data points were calculated as a percentage of total live cell population \pm SEM (n \geq 3). Statistical analysis of significance was determined by Student's t test with a confidence interval of 95% (p \leq 0.05).

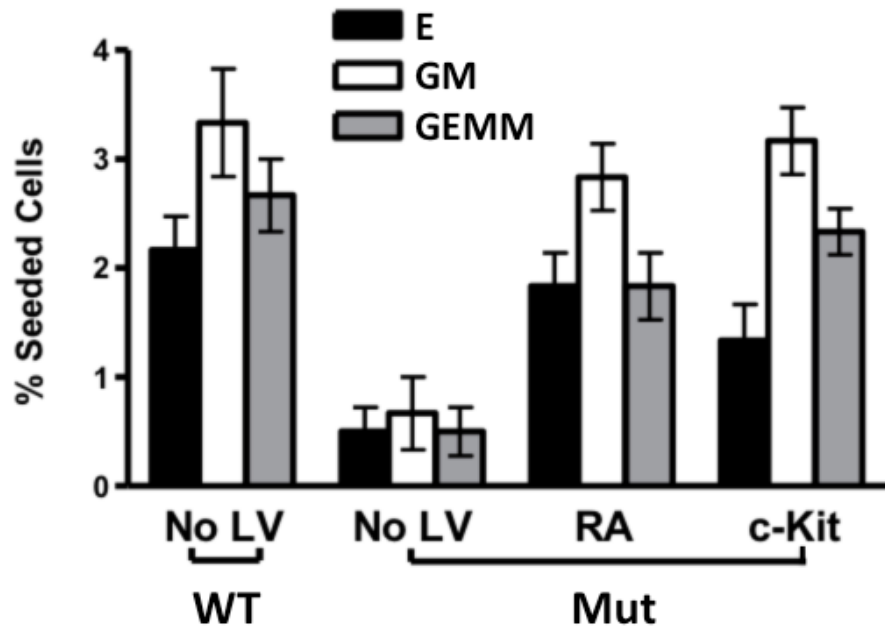


Figure S2. Individual colony types as scored from methylcellulose assay for all treatment groups. (Related to Figure 3) Erythroid (E), granulocyte-macrophage (GM), and granulocyte-erythroid-macrophage-megakaryocyte (GEMM) colony-forming units were scored separately. Total number of colonies generated are reported per 100 seeded cells \pm SEM ($n \geq 3$). p values following Student's t test with a confidence interval of 95% ($p \leq 0.05$) are as follows for **E** colonies: **No LV WT vs. No LV Mut, $p = 0.001$** ; No LV WT vs. RA Mut, $p = 0.461$; No LV WT vs. c-Kit Mut, $p = 0.096$; **No LV Mut vs. RA Mut, $p = 0.006$** ; No LV Mut vs. c-Kit Mut, $p = 0.065$. p values following Student's t test with a confidence interval of 95% ($p \leq 0.05$) are as follows for **GM** colonies: **No LV WT vs. No LV Mut, $p = 0.001$** ; No LV WT vs. RA Mut, $p = 0.411$; No LV WT vs. c-Kit Mut, $p = 0.781$; **No LV Mut vs. RA Mut, $p = 0.001$** ; **No LV Mut vs. c-Kit Mut, $p < 0.001$** .

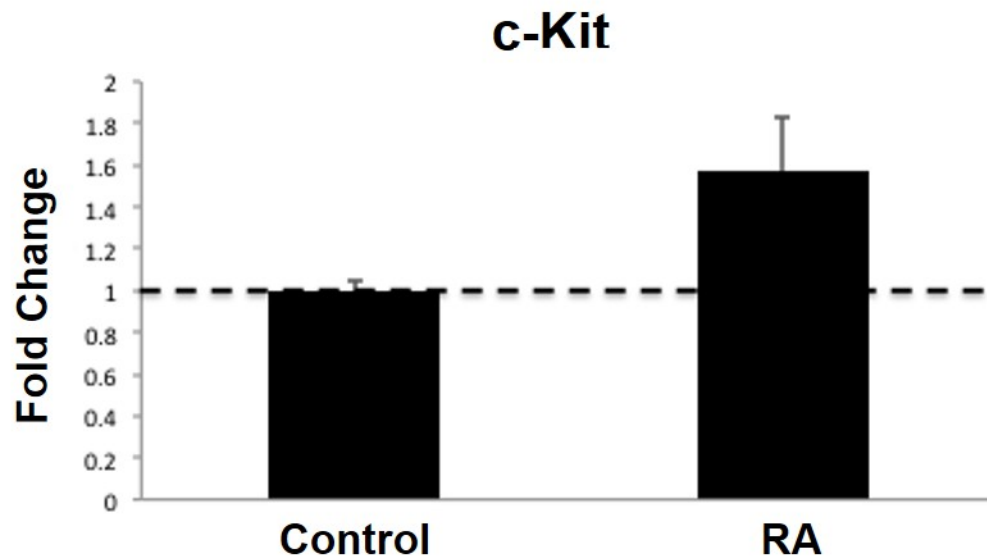


Figure S3. Retinoic acid regulation of c-Kit expression (Related to Figure 4). Human umbilical vein endothelial cells (HUVEC), which uniquely express low levels of c-Kit under control conditions, were treated with exogenous all-trans retinoic acid (RA) at a concentration (0.5 μ M) known to inhibit endothelial cell cycle progression (Lai et al., 2003). Gene expression was analyzed via qPCR and calculated relative to endogenous β -actin expression; data represent mean \pm SEM ($n \geq 3$). Relative to untreated controls, RA treatment increased c-Kit protein expression by \sim 1.6-fold within 24 h, as measured via flow cytometry.

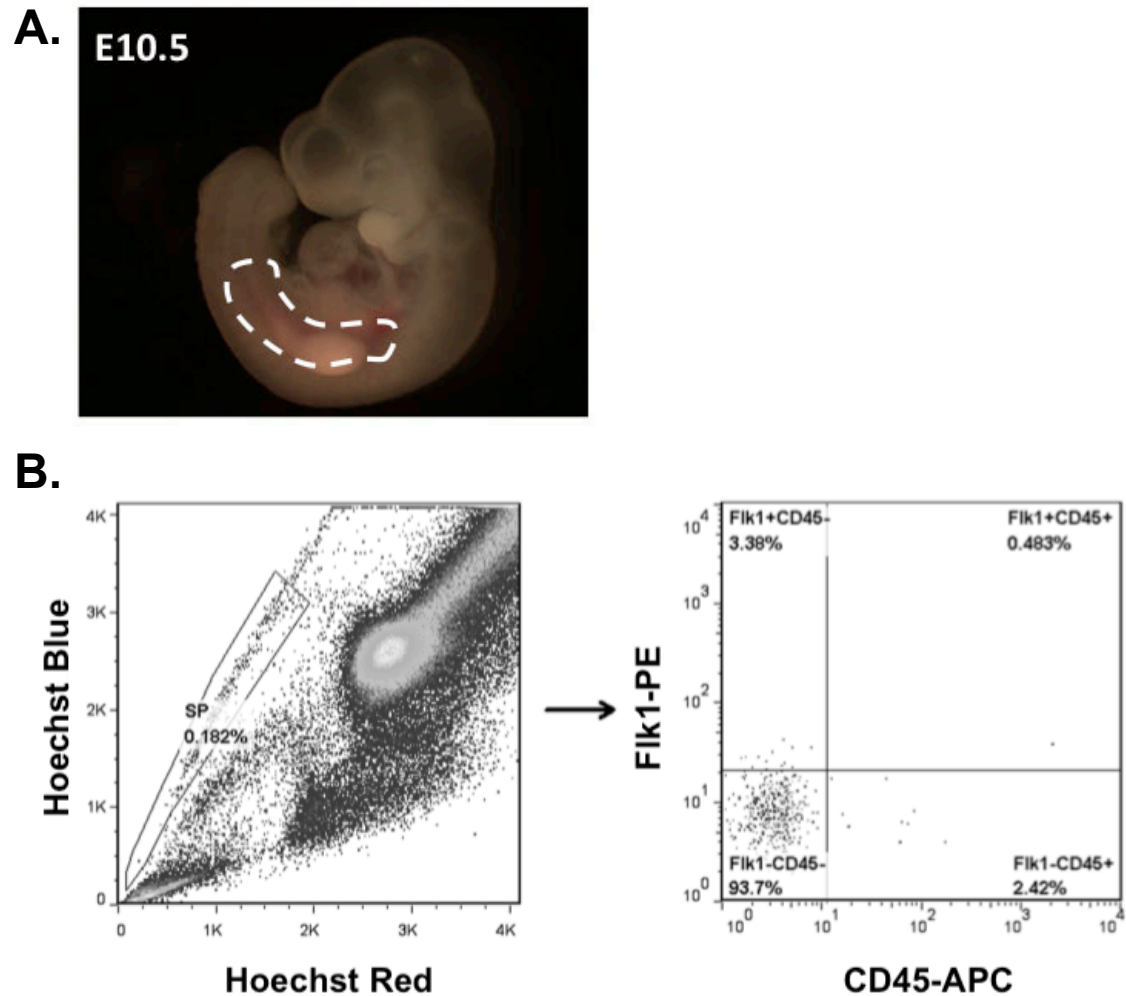


Figure S4. Flk1 and CD45 are mutually exclusive within the E10.5 AGM side population. (Related to Figure 7) **A.** E10.5 wildtype embryo, with dotted lines representing AGM region, which was microdissected for cell sorting and FACS analysis. **B.** Representative profile from FACS analysis of Flk1 and CD45 expression within the SP, which demonstrates virtually no co-expression of these markers (0.48%) within the SP population.

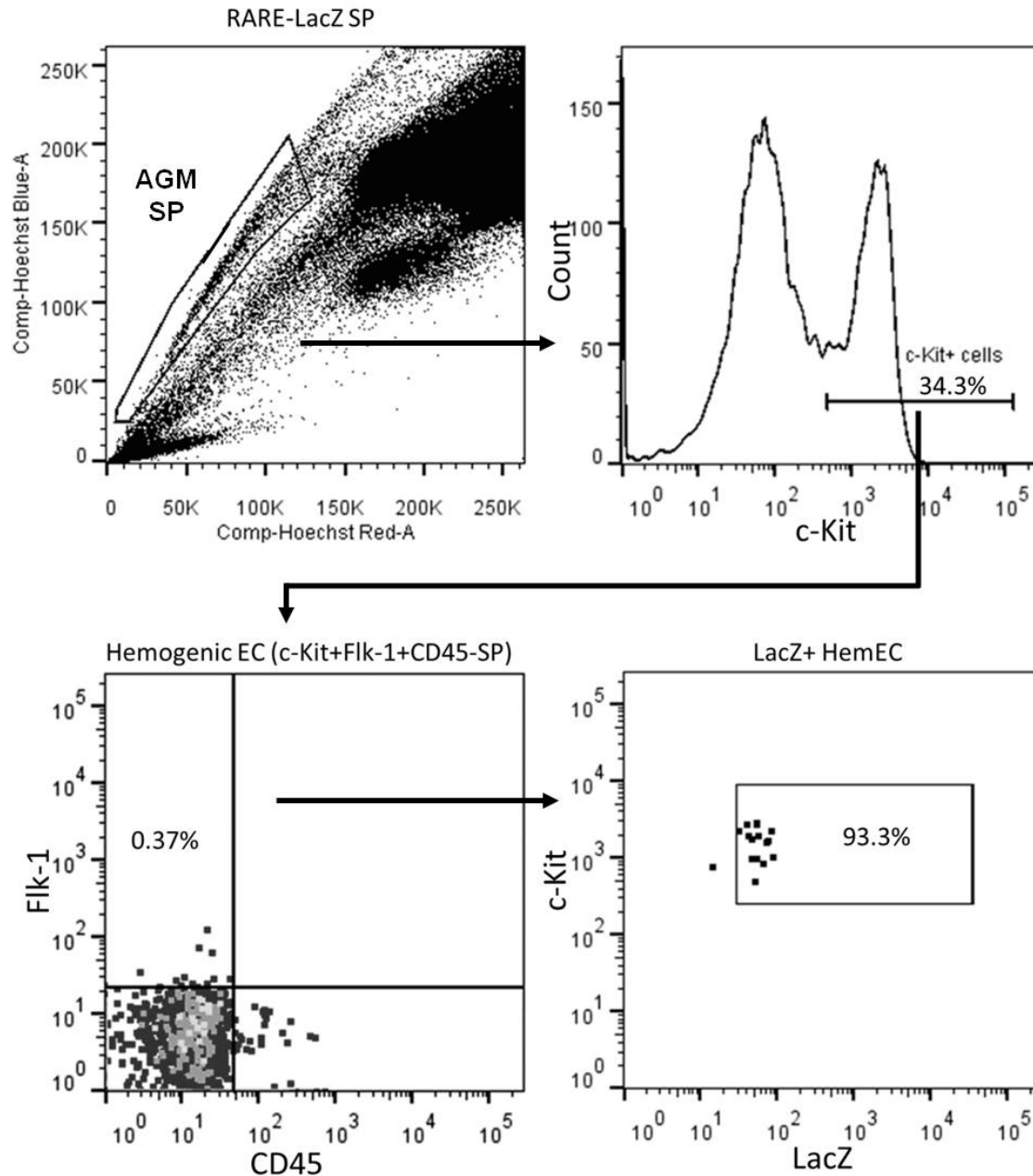


Figure S5. Hemogenic endothelial cells from E10.5 AGM are RA-responsive.
 (Related to Figure 7) FACS analysis of Flk1⁺c-Kit⁺CD45⁻ SP cells from E10.5 *Raldh2*^{+/+}; RARE-*lacZ* AGM tissue demonstrate that 93.3% of hemogenic endothelial cells are undergoing active RA signaling.